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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed November 20, 2002, please amend the present application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

5. A method of inhibiting skin cancer in a mammal, comprising the step of administering to the mammal in need of treatment for inhibition of skin cancer a composition comprised of sericin.

6. The method of Claim 5, wherein the weight average molecular weight of said sericin is from 5,000 to 100,000.

7. The method of Claim 5, where said administering step is comprised of administering the composition by a means selected from the group consisting of oral, intraperitoneal,